

SMP MONTHLY

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Hello,

It is hard to believe that we are already wrapping up 2021! We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support and dedication throughout the year. The success of the SMP program is built from **your efforts** and this past year, we have enjoyed many successes:

- Our SMP message reached over 10 million New Yorkers via virtual presentations, media outreach and counseling.
- The GetSetUp partnership showcased volunteers Alan Bey, Ken Luft, and Jean Stone as they educated seniors on the latest Medicare fraud and abuse.
- Our SMP Volunteer Spotlight introduced Bonnie Bortz, Elizabeth Campbell, Ken Luft, Barb McBurnie and Helen Sanders to the vast NY Facebook audience.

And, we have many more exciting ideas brewing for next year! Working with all of you in 2021 has been a pleasure and we're so proud to have you with us.

Best wishes and happiness to you and your families as we look forward to a successful 2022!

- The NY StateWide Senior Action Council Staff

REMINDERS



Join us for the
SMP Volunteer Meeting
on Jan 21, 2022 at 11:00
AM.

- To join by computer
Click [HERE](#).
- To join by phone dial
646-558-8656, Meeting
ID: 533 682 2516

ARTICLES OF INTEREST:

[Bribes and Kickbacks in
Exchange for Ordering
Genetic Tests](#) (11/23)

[Telemarketing company
targeted the elderly to
generate thousands of
medically unnecessary
physicians' orders for
DME and cancer genetic
testing \(CGx\)](#) (11/12)

[Download: Cardiovascular
Genetic Testing Fraud
Flyer](#)



Medicare Fraud Helpline 800-333-4374

Start the New Year Off Right with the My Health Care Tracker

My Health Care Trackers are fraud-fighting tools available for free to beneficiaries through the SMP program. The trackers help beneficiaries prevent, detect, and report suspected Medicare fraud, errors, or abuse.

My Health Care Trackers offer:

- A place to record health care products and services received and take notes about appointments.
- Instructions on how to compare the health care services, tests, and/or medical equipment items documented in the tracker to what was billed on your Medicare statements.
- A list of important contacts, such as Medicare and Social Security.
- A description about volunteering for SMP, including all the roles that volunteers perform.

To view an example of the Health Care Tracker click [HERE](#).

If you would like Health Care Trackers for your upcoming in person meetings, call 800-333-4374.



Meet StateWide Outreach Specialist Jackie Kennedy-Saddler



Jacqueline Kennedy-Saddler is a seasoned health care executive with over 30 years experience in the Health Care Industry. She has an outstanding track record of developing key initiatives and innovative

programs that promote and support community engagement.

Jacqueline is proactive in building relationships between elected officials and racially diverse and multi-ethnic communities. She is a bridge

builder and fundraiser for low income communities.

Jackie is the recipient of numerous awards and accolades in health and community services including the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Award, Valiant Woman Award, and the Distinguished Community Leadership Award. She is also a member of Christian Cultural Center as a faithful community servant, serves as chairperson for the Bedford Stuyvesant Task Force and is Co-Chair of the Brooklyn Wide Interagency Council for Aging (BWICA). Jackie also serves as a member of the Vision Services for the blind.

Jackie is married to Melord and they are the proud parents of two beautiful daughters.



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